

# The Village of Northfield

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

April 11, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nehez at 7:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Nehez.

**ROLL CALL** was read by Ms. Ingrassia. The following officials were present: Mayor Nehez, Councilpersons Nick Magistrelli, Keith Czerr, Jenn Domzalski, Renell Noack, and Gary Vojtush. Also present were Law Director Brad Bryan, Engineer Richard Wasosky and Police Chief John Zolgus.

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

A motion to approve the minutes from the March 28, 2018 Council Meeting was made by Ms. Noack, seconded by Ms. Domzalski. All were in favor of approving the Minutes of the March 28, 2018 Council Meeting, none opposed.

### **PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, MEMORIALS, AND REMONSTRANCES: None**

At this time, Mayor Nehez announced that Police Chief John Zolgus would be swearing in a new Part-Time Patrol Officer, Courtney Pratt. Officer Pratt was sworn in by Chief Zolgus.

Immediately following the swearing in ceremony, Chief Zolgus stated Anita Swenson wished to present K9 Officer, Paul Gramlich, with a t-shirt. Ms. Swenson was an advocate of and donor to the Village K9 program.

### **REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS:**

**Mayor Jesse Nehez** – Mayor Nehez stated the Hard Rock Rocksino has signed a purchase agreement with MGM. Mayor Nehez stated the transaction needs to be approved by the State.

**Finance Director, Tricia Ingrassia** – Ms. Ingrassia stated there are new Police Department members that wish to start payroll deferrals with Szarka Financial. Ms. Ingrassia stated the Village will need to establish Szarka Financial as a deferred compensation option in the Village of Northfield in order to allow these new employees to work with Szarka Financial.

**Engineer, Rich Wasosky** – Report attached.

Regarding the State Route 8 and Ledge Road Signal project, Mr. Wasosky asked Council for a motion to proceed with the bidding of the project. A motion to authorize Mr. Wasosky to bid the SR8/Ledge Road Traffic Signal project was made by Ms. Domzalski, seconded by Mr. Vojtush. All were in favor of authorizing the Engineer to bid the SR8/Ledge Road Traffic Signal project, none opposed.

Regarding the address census, Mr. Wasosky stated either the Finance Director or the Part-time Administrative Assistant will need to complete this census review.

Regarding the Ledge Road Phase 2 Project, Mr. Vojtush asked whether the hydrants would be moved by the distance from hydrant to hydrant or the distance from the hydrant to the street. Mr. Wasosky stated the hydrants are being moved from the distance of the street.

**Law Director, Brad Bryan** – Mr. Bryan asked Mr. Magistrelli how Council wished to proceed with the Overlay District project and asked if Council wished to hold a Work Session. Mr. Magistrelli stated he would speak with Mr. Hipps and find out his availability. Mayor Nehez suggested that work session include the temporary signs, permanent signs, and car and truck rental establishments.

#### **DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

**Police Department, Chief John Zulus** – Report attached.

Chief Zoligus stated regarding the K9, within Pseudo's first week in the Village, he assisted with two drug arrests and an illegal weapon arrest.

Chief Zoligus also stated the Village will be participating at Bark in the Park at Lock 3 in Akron on May 12, 2018. Mayor Nehez requested an approximate time. Chief Zoligus stated he thought the event was from 11:00am to 3:00pm, but he would confirm.

**Fire Department, Chief Jason Buss** – Chief Buss will be in attendance at the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting.

**Service Department, Jason Walters** – Mr. Walters will be in attendance at the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting.

#### **REPORTS OF THE MUNICIPAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

**Planning Commission, Mr. Hipps** – Mr. Wasosky discussed a sample agreement for storm water management at the Salemi property and a retention/detention pond. Mayor Nehez asked when Mr. Salemi would be starting the building. Mr. Wasosky stated Mr. Salemi is having a problem with Ohio Edison.

**Recreation Board, Mayor Nehez** – Mayor Nehez reported the Recreation Board did not meet in April for a lack of quorum. The next meeting will be Thursday, May 3, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers to discuss the movie in the park.

#### **REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**Finance Committee, Mr. Magistrelli** – Mr. Magistrelli stated the next Finance Committee meeting will be Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

**Roads/Public Works, Ms. Domzalski** – No report.

**Health and Welfare, Mr. Czerr** – No Report.

**Wages and Working Conditions, Mr. Vojtush** – No report.

**Fire and Safety, Ms. Noack** – Ms. Noack stated Chief Buss is planning on discussing a piece of rescue equipment that will require a motion from Council.

**Buildings and Grounds, Mr. Hipps** – No report.

**LEGISLATION:**

**2018-29 – An Emergency Ordinance Amending Section 1280.08 of the Zoning Code Relating to Sign Enforcement (Second Reading).** Mr. Bryan stated this legislation should remain on the agenda for a third reading.

**2018-30 – An Emergency Ordinance Establishing Section 1268.11 of the Planning and Zoning Code Relating to Car or Truck Rental Establishments (Second Reading).** Mr. Bryan stated this legislation should remain on the agenda for a third reading.

**2018-31 – An Emergency Resolution Authorizing Certain Amendments to the 2018 Appropriation Resolution and/or Transferring Items Already Appropriated in that Resolution (First Reading).** Ms. Ingrassia stated this is a normal funding transfer to the Police Pension Fund. A motion to suspend the three reading rule was made by Mr. Vojtush, seconded by Ms. Domzalski. All were in favor of suspending the three reading rule, none opposed. A motion for passage was made by Mr. Vojtush, seconded by Ms. Noack. All were in favor of passage, none opposed.

**OLD BUSINESS; NEW BUSINESS; ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mr. Vojtush announced with April being Autism Awareness Month, his family has a couple of fundraisers upcoming that will donate to his son's walk team, Andrew's Heroes, which will benefit the Summit County Autism Society. The first fundraiser is Tuesday, April 24th at Chick-Fil-A. A portion of the day's sales will be donated to the fundraiser. Mr. Vojtush continued Five Below will donate a portion of its sales to the fundraiser on Monday, April 30th. Mr. Vojtush also added on April 21<sup>st</sup>, there will be a fundraiser with multiple vendors at the United Methodist Church in Macedonia. Mr. Vojtush stated he would appreciate anyone that wished to come out and support these events.

At this time, Christina Shaw introduced herself to the Mayor and Council as a candidate for the 27<sup>th</sup> State Central Committee Seat for the Democratic Party.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Domzalski, seconded by Ms. Noack. All were in favor of adjournment, none opposed. The Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Tricia Ingrassia, Clerk of Council